

MEETING OF TAX ASSESSORS

VERY SUCCESSFUL SESSION WAS HELD AT MUSKOGEE.

W. R. Roberts of Ardmore Elected President—All Railroads to Be Assessed 100 Cents on the Dollar—Next Meeting at Tulsa.

The first annual meeting of the assessors of the Indian Territory was held in the rooms of the Commercial club Thursday. The meeting was called to order by J. S. Kinsely, assessor of this city, at ten o'clock. He stated the object of the meeting, after which he introduced the president of the Muskogee Commercial club, A. C. Trumbo, who made an able address to the convention.

Mr. Trumbo then announced the program of entertainment for the afternoon, which was a trip to Hyde Park and a boat ride of the Arkansas river. Mr. Trumbo's address was responded to by Mr. Clifford Perry of Wilburton, who entertained the meeting in an intelligent manner in place of R. W. Dick of Ardmore, who was down for this number on the program. At the conclusion of Mr. Perry's address, the convention got down to real business.

J. I. Kinsely acted as temporary president and H. P. Fearnside as temporary secretary. Besides the assessors there were noticeable many representatives of the railroads and others, part of whom are as follows: S. M. English of Dallas, general manager of the Postal Telegraph and Cable company; general attorney for the Postal telegraph, A. O. McLaughlin; tax commissioner for the M. K. & T. road with headquarters at Dallas, Mr. C. S. Shirlwin; tax commissioner of the Gould's roads with headquarters in St. Louis, S. L. Highleyman, and C. L. Jackson, general attorney for the M. K. & T. road for the Indian Territory and Oklahoma.

The assessors were an intelligent bunch of representative men, each seeking for information with the intention of arriving at a just and equal basis of taxation to all.

The chairman appointed a committee of five on credentials as follows: Chas. E. Murphy of Duncan, chairman; G. W. Casteel, Wagoner; R. L. Coleman, Stigler; W. R. Roberts of Ardmore, and J. P. Wood of Ada. Just before the recess for the noon hour the committee reported the following in substance: That all of the assessors or their duly elected representatives of all the towns of the Indian Territory, be allowed a seat and a vote in the convention. The report of the committee was accepted and the committee discharged.

The convention then proceeded with the election of permanent officers as follows: President, W. R. Roberts, Ardmore; vice president, Chas. Comstock, Fort Gibson; secretary, C. E. Elkins, Sulphur; treasurer, J. L. Kinsely, Muskogee; executive committee, Geo. W. Evans, Okmulgee; E. L. Esley, Tulsa; H. L. Saddler, Coalgate; C. A. Wells, Sallisaw; and R. L. Coleman, Stigler.

Committee on by-laws, C. E. Murphy, Duncan; Robert Elder, Bristow; G. W. Casteel, Wagoner; H. L. Saddler, Coalgate; and E. B. Moberly, Holdenville. Committee on resolutions, W. Y. Dilley, Haskell; J. P. Wood, Ada; and C. D. Perry, Wilburton. The committee on resolutions reported in substance that it was the sense of the convention for immediate statehood for Indian Territory and Oklahoma and the removal of the restrictions from the lands of the Indians of the five tribes.

At the afternoon session the meeting was entertained by addresses by the following persons: C. L. Jackson, C. N. Haskell, Clarence B. Douglas, W. D. Booth, P. Mossy, Capt. Ira L. Reeves, C. C. Ayers, A. Richmond, F. C. Hubbard, Judge McLaughlin, Chas. G. Watts.

Tulsa was then selected as the next meeting place.

At the night session a final agreement was reached as to the valuation that shall be placed on railroad properties. For main line the maximum is \$15,000 and the minimum \$3,000. Side tracks, maximum \$5,000, minimum \$1,500. All other railroad property to be assessed 100 cents on the dollar actual cash value.

All fire insurance companies are to be taxed.

Telegraph and telephone companies are to be taxed at actual cash valuation in towns.

The assessors decided that the most equitable manner of taxation on all property, corporate and private, is actual cash value, with the tax rate reduced to that figure which will cover the city's expenses. They recommended and agree to adopt such a policy.

The secretary of the association was instructed to send copies of res-

olutions passed in the afternoon referring to statehood to President Roosevelt, Speaker Cannon and Senator Beveridge of Indiana.

Each assessor will ask his town to appropriate a certain sum each year to maintain the association. The question of whether or not the town lots sold by the government can be taxed before they are fully paid for was discussed but no action taken.

The convention was closed by several brief speeches by assessors in the different towns, who expressed themselves as glad that the association had been formed and declared that the meeting had been very instructive to them.—Phoenix.

SULPHUR KENTUCKY CLUB.

Ex-Kentuckians to Organize—Important Real Estate Deals.

Sulphur, I. T., June 2.—(Special)—A call has been issued for a meeting of ex-Kentuckians for the purpose of forming a Sulphur Kentucky club. A deal whereby a local syndicate acquires a fine piece of suburban property has just been closed, Dixie Colbert conveyed the tract, which includes Roseland park, for a consideration approximating \$10,000.

Local parties are busy buying what outlying acreage can be secured. It is understood that a party of Oklahomans, headed by Dennis Flynn, are back of the transactions.

It grows more interesting every day. Don't fail to get details. \$3.00 for 10 cents. See show windows at Wonder Store.

FESTIVITIES SADDENED.

Deaths Due to Bomb Explosions Now Number Twenty-Four.

Madrid, June 2.—The killed in the bomb explosion now number twenty-four. The ball at the palace this evening was abandoned owing to the general mourning and receptions. The British embassy intervened in behalf of Robert Hamilton, the English suspect. He will probably be released as it seems to be a case of mistaken identity. Street fetes continue.

We had to work nights last week to get our work out, but now have extra help and can get your laundry back more promptly this week.

13-14 NEW STEAM LAUNDRY.

GOOD CROP CONDITIONS.

Farmers Around Marlow Are Expecting a Bumper Crop.

Marlow, I. T., June 2.—(Special)—The recent good showers have put all crops in this section in the finest of shape although farmers are complaining some of the grass in the cotton fields. Corn, oats, wheat, vegetables and fruit are all looking excellent and the prospect for this year seems that we will have a bumper crop of everything.

The final passage by the senate of the pasture bill, which opens up 47,000 acres of fine land immediately adjoining our town is beginning to make things look up. Strangers are quietly dropping in and going out to see the land near here.

An average of three cars of hogs each week are being shipped from this place to Fort Worth markets. Cattle are in fine shape and putting on fat rapidly.

The Farmers' Union club, under course of construction at this place, is being rapidly pushed forward and will draw much cotton to our town that has been going elsewhere. We will have three gins the coming season and estimate our market receipts at 12,000 bales. Cars of machinery for the waterworks and electric light plant are arriving semi-weekly and both plants will soon be in full operation.

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Eugene V. Wolverton to J. S. Mulen undivided half interest in lot 11, block 324, Ardmore. Consideration \$8500.

S. H. Morgan to Mrs. Emma Anderson, lot 11, block 139, Ardmore. Consideration \$410.

C. and C. Nations to Alexander V. Doak, lot 5, block 300, Ardmore. Patent.

Thomas W. Loyd to William H. Prater, lot 1, block 461, Ardmore.

O. H. Wolverton to W. A. and J. A. Edwards, lots 3 and 4 block 103, Ardmore. Consideration \$1800.

Nihilists in Oregon

PLOT TO ASSASSINATE PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT REVEALED.

Only Awaited the Accumulation of Funds to Send a Deputation to Do the Deadly Work—Detectives Now at Work on Scheme.

Portland, Ore., June 2.—As the outcome of the arrest of a Pole in this city for assault upon several Russians, local detectives have learned of the existence here of a large body of Russian nihilists who, it is alleged, have been plotting to assassinate President Roosevelt. They are simply awaiting the accumulation of sufficient funds before sending a deputation to Washington to carry out the scheme. Detectives are working on the case.

If you failed to get our counterpane special last week, don't be uneasy, we will give you another chance soon.

13-14 NEW STEAM LAUNDRY.

WAS BURNED AT STAKE.

Children Play Redmen and Burn Playmate to Death.

Montgomery, Ala., June 2.—The five-year-old child of Robert Maroney of Cedar Grove was tied to a stake and burned to death by playmates who were emulating the characters in a mock imitation of "Red Men" recently presented by members of a local lodge in the public hall at that place.

The children, the oldest of whom is 10, were arrayed like Indians, and the little Maroney child, who was the "paleface," was seized and bound to a fence post. A quantity of shavings were placed around his feet, saturated with oil and ignited, the flames communicating with the child's clothing, and in a moment the little body was wreathed in flames.

The other children, realizing what they had done, struggled to tear away the burning mass and did rescue the child while still alive, but it almost immediately succumbed to its injuries.

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TO OLD "KENTUCKY."

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Jay Cobb, traveling passenger agent of the Frisco, with headquarters at Sherman, Texas, was in the city yesterday advertising his train which will be made up for the Kentucky Home Coming trip. The Frisco will run a special composed of a double section, from Texas direct to Louisville. The special will leave Fort Worth the morning of the 11th of June, at 9:25 o'clock, going by way of Sherman. The regular Frisco passenger will leave here at 12:59 in the afternoon, will make direct connections with this special at Madill, and transfer to the special, direct route by way of St. Louis into Louisville without change of cars is then before the special. Tickets will also be sold on the 12th and 13th but no special will be run. There are a number of former Kentuckians in and around Ardmore who are going on this trip.

Fire! Fire!!
Have W. H. Kelly & Co., architects, First National bank building, adjust your losses caused by fire. 3

Letter from Ardmore Sailor.

Russell Zike, formerly of this city, who has enlisted with the United States navy writes to his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Zike that he is greatly pleased. He is on the Brooklyn now, but in a few days will be transferred to the new steam ship Dixie and immediately after his transfer will go to China thence, to Alexandria, Egypt. In the latter place he will remain indefinite. Russell is greatly pleased with his new surroundings and says the navy is the place for boys.

Johnson, the hatter, is still at the same old stand making new hats from those Stetsons and Panamas. Have him reblock and refit your hat. You will be surprised at the grade of his work. Out of town orders given special attention. Express, mail or send your hats to 219 West Main street. 3-3



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